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WAITSFIELD

Walter E. Jones was in Waterbury Tuesday.
Prin. W. H. Venable attended the agricultural meeting this week at Lyndon.
Miss Alice M. Bushnell has been confined to her home by sickness the past week.
Miss Cora Spaulding has been substituting in the high school several days this week.

Church Notices.

Congregational church—Pastor, Rev. William A. Remond, 10:45 a. m., sermon by pastor; subject, "Prayer." 12 m., Sunday school in all departments. 7:30 p. m., C. E. meeting; subject, "Young Christians Reaching Upward." Reference, Ps. 63:1-8.
Methodist Episcopal church—Pastor, Rev. I. Mellor, 10:45 a. m., sermon by pastor; subject, "Armageddon," first of a series on the war. 12 m., Sunday school. 7:30 p. m., union service in Congregational church.

Baby carriage and go-cart runners. Sadler's, Keith avenue.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Charles Miner has been passing a few days with friends in Burlington.
Harley Chaples of 12 Upland avenue is confined to the house with blood poisoning.
John C. Duncan has been serving as a substitute regular at the fire station for a few days.
Carl Porter left this morning for Hardwick, where he is making a visit of indefinite length.
A. LaCasse of Goddard seminary will delight you with a violin solo at the concert, Presbyterian church, Wednesday, Jan. 16—adv.

It is better to have a Christmas club check at the end of the year than nothing. Try it yourself. Bank open Saturday and Monday evenings. Barre Savings Bank & Trust Co.

WEBSTERVILLE.

Engineers' Notice.

Regular meeting of local 423 will be held in Miles' hall Monday, Jan. 14, at 7 p. m. Members are requested to attend. Important business. Per order president.

Pre-Inventory Sale of Shoes

For the sake of your pocketbook and conservation, you should come at once to get your pair of Shoes while we are selling at low prices. While Shoes are advancing in price and liable to continue advancing for two to five years, we are giving you the "pick of our stock" at a discount of 10 per cent.

You also have a chance to secure splendid bargains from our Bargain Counter—

Shoes all the way from \$2.75 to \$7.00 at the extremely low price of \$1.98. These low prices will surely take every odd lot we have left over from our big fall and winter business.

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BARRE DAILY TIMES

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 1918.

The Weather

Sunday snow and colder.

TALK OF THE TOWN

The Tourist club will meet with Mrs. White Monday afternoon.
Mrs. Wilbur Jerry of Northfield was brought to the City hospital yesterday and underwent an operation to-day.

The meeting of the nature study class of the Barre Woman's club, arranged for Jan. 14, has been postponed one week.

G. F. McAllister of Williamstown passed through the city last night while on his way to Boston for a business visit of several days.

F. G. Russell of the Red Cross pharmacy returned last night from Boston, where he has been attending a convention of Rexall druggists.

Miss Edith Barnes, who has been visiting at her home on Highland avenue, has returned to New Haven, where she is a teacher in the public schools.

Harry Clark, always a favorite, will sing at the high-class concert in the Presbyterian church, Wednesday, Jan. 16. Come and hear him—adv.

Barney Sturgeon, who was taken seriously ill with pneumonia while employed by Anthony Tomasi in his Berlin wood lot, was removed to the City hospital from 12 Main street yesterday.

Make it a part of your plan this year to save some of your income every week, and a Christmas club account will help you to do this. Bank open to-night, 7 to 8 o'clock. Barre Savings Bank & Trust Co.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the I. A. C. corporation it was decided to sell the I. A. C. grounds, and Angelo Scampini has been appointed agent for the said corporation. Anyone wishing to buy lots apply to Angelo Scampini, agent.

Miss Edith Merchant, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. E. Merchant, returned yesterday to her home in Rutland. Because of ill health Mrs. Merchant is making an extended stay in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Paul Scampini.

Among the guests arriving at Hotel Barre yesterday and to-day were the following people: Miss Elsie J. Tuck of Joplin, Mo.; J. R. Lix and R. L. Burrell of Middletown, Conn.; Louis P. Schultz of Worcester, C. E. Hinman of Burlington, Sidney B. Gile of Springfield, L. M. Garrell of Zanesville, O., and David Klenk of Buffalo, N. Y.

At the parsonage of the Hedding Methodist church on French street last night at 10 o'clock Miss Ida Annie Cook and Frank E. Colburn of Randolph were married by the pastor, Rev. B. G. Lipsky. The couple were unattended. The groom is employed as a garage assistant in Randolph, where Mr. and Mrs. Colburn will make their home.

At his home on Bugbee avenue James Morren was greatly surprised last night when about 30 of his friends entered to bid him farewell, for he is to leave to-night for Cambridge, Mass., where he is to be employed. Roy Tassie presented him a useful gift, and the recipient responded with hearty thanks. The evening was spent with games and music, and light refreshments were served.

Rollin H. Brown, local yard master for the M. & W. R. railroad, intends to leave early in the coming week for Williston to attend the funeral of his cousin, Private Charles M. Brown, whose death at Camp Greene, Charlotte, N. C., followed an illness of pneumonia. The date when the body of the young soldier, a former Goddard student, will arrive in Vermont is uncertain, although it is expected that the funeral will be held Tuesday.

Edwin Milne, who is employed in the factory of the Underwood typewriter factory in Hartford, Conn., is passing several days at his home on Laurel street, having been summoned back to Vermont by the death of his niece, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Milne of Northfield. Mr. Milne and his brother, Fred Milne, went to Northfield this morning to attend the funeral, which was held this afternoon with interment in the village cemetery.

On account of the unusual demand for stenographers in government service, Goddard will offer a course in commercial training to commence with this winter term. The plan is to have those entering this course graduate with those who entered last fall. There will also be an opportunity for the evening school for anyone to review their shorthand, typewriting and bookkeeping if they want to try any of the examinations for government service. The evening school will commence next Tuesday night at 7 o'clock. It will meet Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. Here is the opportunity for young people to prepare for government service—adv.

Mayor Glysson presided at an informal conference of Salvation Army and church workers in the reception hall at Hotel Barre last evening, when Brig.-Gen. Asher of Hartford, Conn., outlined some of the features of the war fund which the Army folks are planning to launch. C. S. Andrews, a Methodist layman, and Capt. Crawford of the local Army corps were among those present, and one of the results of the conference, it is expected, will be a meeting of business men next Wednesday evening, when ways and means are to be devised for helping the S. A. canvass. It is stated that Army shacks in France are bulking large in the relief work, and that the Salvation Army reaches many who are not otherwise assisted.

Winter's colds were not blazed when the recent cold spell had spent its force, for the most disquieting effects of this bad winter prevailed last night and during the early hours of the day. Well-meaning train crews, who have been striving to restore service to normal ever since the mercury began to rise, received another setback, and most trains were reported hours overdue. The B. & M. T. & P. Co. did not make its usual quick recovery from the effects of storm and throughout the forenoon service on the main line was badly impaired, while Washington street cars did not run at all. A pelting east wind accompanied the snowstorm and added to the trials of country folk who had headed for the city to do their week-end shopping. And to lessen faith in the good intentions of the weather man came the announcement that intense cold may be expected next week.

GRANITEVILLE.

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TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

EXPERT CHAUFFEUR would like please driving for private family this coming season; can handle any make of car; can furnish best of references; address Postoffice Box 254, St. Albans, Vt.

PRIZE WINNERS ON "NATIONAL BANKS"

Six Young Essayists Awarded Prizes Out of a Total of 89 Contestants in People's National Bank Contest.

Six youthful essayists, competing in the composition contest conducted by the People's National bank, were to-day designated as the winning competitors by a board of judges consisting of Miss Eva G. Smith, teacher of English at Spaulding high school, Judge H. W. Scott of the municipal court, and Supt. G. J. Seager of the Barre Town schools. The subject assigned by the bank was "National Banks," and the contest, limited to children 15 years old and under, began in mid-December, ending Jan. 5. The winners' names appear below:

First prize, \$10 in gold, Harold Blackmore, aged 14, 34 Eastern avenue, Barre.
Second prize, \$5 in gold, Orlo H. Spear, aged 14, 21 Park street, Barre.
Third prize, \$2 in cash, Miss Helen Rossi, aged 12, 31 Brook street, Barre.

Three prizes of \$1 each, Aldo C. Poletti, aged 14, 6 George street, Barre; Marjorie P. Smith, aged 13, Trow hill, Barre Town; Max Miles, aged 13, 72 South Main street, Barre.

Children under the age limit defined by the bank officials responded to the challenge much more spontaneously than the sponsors for the contest had anticipated. All told, 89 compositions were submitted, several of them from contestants living out of town. Although the girl contestants outnumbered the boys in the ratio of 58 to 31, it will be noted that two-thirds of the prize winners are boys, the youngest successful contestant being Miss Rossi.

Competitors for the \$20 in prizes which the bank has awarded were obedient to certain rules, the most important of which was the rule which limited each composition to 150 words. In the matter of judging the 89 compositions submitted, absolute fairness was a feature. As a matter of fact, the anonymity of the contestants prevailed, so far as the judges were concerned, until after they had designated by a process of elimination the six essays most deserving of the prizes. A number attached to each composition corresponded with the number assigned the author of the composition when it was received in the mail of the People's National bank. Nothing on the composition paper indicated the identity of the author, it may be said in passing that the compositions submitted, on the whole, surpassed in excellence the expectations of the bank people.

Almost invariably the contestants stuck to prose in their compositions on "The National Banks," but one of the prize winners, Max Miles, introduced a novelty in the form of verse. His originality was recognized by the judges, as the awards show. The Times reprints in the coming issue the winning first, second and third and the next three prize-winning compositions.

"National Banks," by Harold Blackmore, 1st Prize Winner.
The national banking system was organized February 25th, 1863. It stands for strength, security, and service in financial matters—strength through conservative investing, security through the large capital and surplus, government control and membership in the Federal Reserve; and service through courteous, competent officers and clerks; and a modern equipment.
The government requires each bank to have a certain capital and surplus, and even a certain cash reserve with the Federal Reserve, that the public may be protected.

Uncle Sam sends expert examiners at least twice a year to each bank. If they find any serious discrepancies, they take away its charter and close it, this saving depositors possible loss.
The working class takes special interest in the savings department, knowing that their hard-earned money will be secure.
Our government offers the maximum of safety and efficiency in the Federal Reserve, by which every national bank is linked together.

"National Banks," by Orlo H. Spear, 2d Prize Winner.
The national banks were organized during the Civil war, when it became necessary to have a standard currency, which could not be obtained by allowing private banks to issue notes of their own.
People's money is always safe in national banks for the following reasons: All these banks are under the control of the government through the comptroller of the currency; no bank can bear the name, "National," unless it is transacting business under the United States' laws; the banks are thoroughly examined at least twice a year by expert bankers of the Federal Reserve system, a great system in which all national banks, and some state banks, are united for the protection of all members; stockholders are assessed an amount equalling their stock before the depositor sustains a loss; and they are governed by a board of directors chosen by the stockholders.

"National Banks," by Helen Rossi, 3d Prize Winner.
The present system of National Banks was inaugurated in 1864.
National Banks are controlled by the government, and are in charge of an officer called the Comptroller of the Currency. They must have a capital according to population, and it is regulated by the government. They purchase bonds and receive circulating notes equal to their capital.
National Banks are members of the Federal Reserve System, which combines their resources for the protection of any member. About 5 per cent. of the deposits must be deposited in cash in the Federal Reserve Bank in case of an emergency.

National Banks are examined about twice yearly, and reports are sent from Washington to Board of Directors. The Boards of Directors consist of men who govern these banks. They must own a certain number of shares and are responsible for the conduct of the bank's affairs.
National Banks pay 4 per cent. interest on deposits in savings department.

"National Banks," by Aldo C. Poletti.
The first national banks were made just after the Civil War. They were made, not only for the necessity of business, but also because it was a great aid to the nation, and is now, because it gives protection to people holding bonds and a very high security to depositors.
They are really banks of issue, for they can issue notes. There are three classes of national banks, which are the central reserve banks, the city reserve banks, and the country banks. Banks are, in other words, lenders and borrowers. The funds of the banks consist partly of their own capital and the de-

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Every Suit in the stock at just half price. Stylish Winter Coats at clean-up prices.

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"National Banks," by Marjorie P. Smith.
Modern banking began in the 18th century, during Abraham Lincoln's administration, at the time the Government began issuing paper money, or "greenbacks."

The National Bank is an institution which receives money from its depositors and loans it out to borrowers, charging the borrowers interest for the loan.
The banks pay the depositors interest or a percent on the money which he deposits. All National Banks are controlled by the Government and pay interest at 4 per cent. to the depositors.
There are more than seven thousand National Banks in the United States. It is much better to have money in a bank than in a home in a pocketbook, for in the bank it will be multiplying and is also much safer.
Money can be withdrawn at any time by the person who deposited it.
The bankers are the pillars and the support of the nation.

"National Banks," by Max Miles.
In our National Banks
We have no cranks,
But men of honest worth
Who deal you our your dollars
And do not want the earth.

EAST ORANGE

Mrs. Robert Richardson is quite poorly and Mrs. William Richardson of Waits River cared for her for a few days the first of the week, Miss Martha Dodge coming Wednesday for the rest of the week.

Mrs. W. S. Halsey of West Corinth was a visitor in town Tuesday.
Mrs. Herbert Williams is quite ill. Fred Brooks was in Corinth on business Tuesday.
Mr. and Mrs. William Bonner and son returned to their home in Bradford Monday.

Delbert Hutchinson of Bradford is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hutchinson.
Abe Jacobs of Corinth was a visitor in the place Monday.
H. A. Prescott was in East Barre recently.

Samuel Dugdale, who was called to his home in Bradford on account of the illness of some of his family, returned to his work for Fred Brooks Tuesday.
Miss Ruby Colby of Corinth is visiting her sister, Mrs. Nellie Button.
Miss Abbie Hutchinson is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hutchinson.
Harley Hood of West Topsham is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. C. Dashner, and family.

Mrs. Bessie Felch, who has been visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Nancy Smith, and other relatives, has returned to her work in Fitchburg, Mass.

Mrs. Mary Ann Bishop and Leon Bishop have returned home after a visit with relatives and friends in Canada.

Mrs. Lizzie Corcoran of Washington

and Mrs. Sylvester Tillotson of West Topsham visited Mrs. Robert Richardson, who is quite sick, Wednesday.

R. H. Blake is spending the week in Plainfield, Marshfield and vicinity.

Rev. and Mrs. Merrier of West Topsham were in the place calling Wednesday.

Enos Felch was a Barre visitor Thursday.

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TALK OF THE TOWN

System in saving is what the Christmas club means. Try this system in your own case. Bank open to-night, 7 to 8 o'clock. Barre Savings Bank & Trust Co.

Artists to appear at the concert, Presbyterian church, Wednesday evening, Jan. 16: George H. Wilder, Mrs. W. M. Holden, Miss Leona Lamb, Harry Clark, A. LaCasse, James Bennett, Miss Alice Walker, Fred Inglis, Miss Rachel Robinson. Don't miss it. Admission 25 cents.—adv.

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